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	Newly executed Declaration, Copy of Declaration from prior application, X Abstract								
	Please delete the following inventors in the continuation/division/continuation-in-part application:								
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45	pages of specification and claims (including 23 numbered claims), and								
15	sheets of accompanying drawing/s.								
	Attached is a Power of Attorney.								
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	2002-364907			JP		17 December 2002			
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